



2022-2023 White Goose Flying Annual Progress Update

2023 April 18

EC2023-0206

Recommendation

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1. Establish an annual Regular Council Meeting with an Indigenous focus during the month of September, starting in 2024;
2. Direct Administration to incorporate the additional Regular Council Meeting into the Council Calendar for consideration at the annual Organizational Meeting of Council; and
3. Direct Administration to bring the next Progress Report on White Goose Flying to the 2024 September meeting of Council.

Previous Council Direction

The Priorities and Finance Committee recommend that Council direct Administration to:

1. Identify the advancement of Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action as a priority for the City of Calgary and a responsibility of all leaders and staff;
2. Establish an annual report to Calgarians on the progress made on TRC Calls to Action where The City has either a direct (Own) or indirect (Partner or Encourage) role, as outlined in the White Goose Flying Report, reporting through the Priorities and Finance Committee; and,
3. Bring forward a request for a budget increase for the Indigenous Relations Office through the November 2021 budget deliberations that will accelerate the advancement of actions outlined in the White Goose Flying Report.

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The background image is the cover of the "White Goose Flying" report. It features a large flock of white geese flying in a V-formation against a dramatic, cloudy sky at sunset or sunrise. In the foreground, the silhouettes of tall grasses and reeds are visible. The title "White Goose Flying" is written in a large, white, serif font. Below it, in a smaller white serif font, is the subtitle "A Report to Calgary City Council on the Indian Residential School Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action 2016".

White Goose Flying

A Report to Calgary City Council on the Indian
Residential School Truth and Reconciliation
Calls to Action
2016

Background

- 2015 Truth & Reconciliation Commission Final Report
- 2016 White Goose Flying Report, 3 categories:
 - Own (18 calls to action),
 - Partner (12 calls to action)
 - Encourage (13 calls to action)
- Confirmation of 215 unmarked graves in Kamloops
- Directed Annual White Goose Flying Progress Update
- Engagement with internal contributors

2022-2023 Highlights

1. Indian Residential School Memorial
2. Indigenous Gathering Place
3. Ceremonial space at the Municipal Building approved
4. Indigenous placemaking
5. Parallel engagement framework
6. Indigenous awareness training
7. Indigenous Awareness Week, Orange Shirt Day and Métis Week

A red and white Calgary Fire Department truck with the number 04 on its side. Two firefighters in orange gear are visible in the foreground.

Calgary Fire Department



Looking Forward

- Additional resources for business units
- Expanding leadership support
- Including truth and reconciliation in service plans and budgets

Next Steps

- Establish internal contributor group and meet quarterly
- Engage with Corporate Planning and Performance
- Report back to Council in September 2024

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